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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1179–1195, and S. Res. 168–169.

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Measures Reported:

S. 407, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2009, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–24)

Measures Passed:

Commending the University of Washington Women's Softball: Senate agreed to S. Res. 168, commending the University of Washington women's softball team for winning the 2009 NCAA Women's College World Series.

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Measures Considered:

Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1256, to protect the public health by providing the Food and Drug Administration with certain authority to regulate tobacco products, to amend title 5, United States Code, to make certain modifications in the Thrift Savings Plan, the Civil Service Retirement System, and the Federal Employees' Retirement System, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Dodd Amendment No. 1247, in the nature of a substitute. Pages \$6170-71

Burr/Hagan Amendment No. 1246 (to Amendment No. 1247), in the nature of a substitute.

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Schumer (for Lieberman) Amendment No. 1256 (to Amendment No. 1247), to modify provisions relating to Federal employees retirement. Page S6170

A motion was entered to close further debate on Dodd Amendment No. 1247, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimousconsent agreement of Thursday, June 4, 2009, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, June 8, 2009. Page S6171

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Monday, June 8, 2009.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the bill at approximately 5:30 p.m., on Monday, June 8, 2009; provided further, that the filing deadline for first-degree amendments be 3 p.m., on Monday June 9, 2009, and the filing deadline for second-degree amendments be 4:30 p.m., on Monday, June 9, 2009.

Travel Promotion Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to report S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States, on Friday, June 5, 2009, from 10 a.m. to noon.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

David Heyman, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Julia Akins Clark, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years.

Ernest W. Dubester, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years expiring July 29, 2012.

Preet Bharara, of New York, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York for the term of four years.

Tristram J. Coffin, of Vermont, to be United States Attorney for the District of Vermont for the term of four years.